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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE: METHOD FOR PRODUCING CELL CULTURE SUBSTRATE AND  
APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING CELL CULTURE SUBSTRATE

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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment accompanying a new patent application being filed simultaneously herewith.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace the claims with the attached amended claims.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

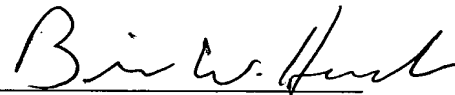
Please replace the abstract with the attached amended abstract.

**REMARKS**

The claims have been revised to remove the multiple dependencies and characterizing language. The abstract has been amended to correct minor informalities. No new matter has been added.

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Respectfully submitted,



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